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In re Application of	:	
Ronald E. STEELE	:	
Application No. 10/656,057	:	DECISION ON PETITION
Filed: September 5, 2003	:	
Docket No. RD8350USNA	:	

This is a decision on the petition under the unintentional provisions of 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed October 6, 2008, to revive the above-identified application.

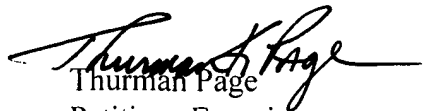
The petition is **GRANTED**.

The application became abandoned for failure to reply in a timely manner to the non-final Office action mailed, January 15, 2008, which set a shortened statutory period for reply of three (3) months. No extensions of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) were obtained. Accordingly, the application became abandoned on April 16, 2008.

The petition satisfies the requirements of 37 CFR 1.137(b) in that petitioner has supplied (1) the reply in the form of an amendment, (2) the petition fee of \$1620; and (3) the required statement of unintentional delay.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Diane Goodwyn at (571) 272-6735.

This application is being referred to Technology Center AU 1791 for appropriate action by the Examiner in the normal course of business on the reply received October 6, 2008.

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